

## MONTGOMERY COUNTY EXECUTIVE ORDER

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Subject Fire Safety Code – BUILDING CONSTRUCTION	Executive Order No. 198-13	Subject Suffix
Department	Department No.	Effective Date
Department of Permitting Services	75	12/02/13

Pursuant to Chapter 22, Montgomery County Code 2004, as amended, and COMCOR 22.00.07, the County Executive or his designee shall conduct a public hearing at 5 PM on Wednesday, December 4, 2013, in the Department of Permitting Services, Seneca Conference Room, 255 Rockville Pike, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, Rockville, Maryland to consider comments to a proposed regulation.

This regulation adopts the applicable editions of various National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) standards – most notably NFPA 1, Uniform Fire Code and NFPA 101, Life Safety Code – as adopted by the Maryland State Fire Prevention Code. These codes and the associated codes and standards incorporated by reference are adopted to set the minimum requirements to establish a reasonable level of safety from the hazards created by fire, explosion, and dangerous conditions. The changes do not retroactively apply to unaltered existing buildings, existing systems or existing conditions permitted or approved before the date of adoption of this regulation unless inimical or distinct hazard exists.

The Department of Permitting Services has been delegated the authority by the Fire Chief (of Montgomery County Fire and Rescue Service) to adopt regulations pursuant to Chapter 22 of the Montgomery County Code in the cases of a new building, a new system, or new conditions.

Existing buildings, existing systems, or existing conditions which are altered are subject to this regulation to the extent required by the Maryland Building Rehabilitation Code, the Montgomery County Fire Safety Code, and the Maryland State Fire Prevention Code. Unaltered existing buildings, existing systems, or existing conditions are not subject to this regulation where no inimical or distinct hazard exists.

After the aforesaid Hearing, the Hearing Examiner shall report his findings and recommendations to the County Executive who shall issue a statement of his decision.

Written statements for consideration in this matter may be submitted to Mr. Hemal Mustafa, Manager, Department of Permitting Services, Division of Building Construction located at 255 Rockville Pike, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, Rockville, Maryland 20850 or <a href="mailto:hemal.mustafa@montgomerycountymd.gov">hemal.mustafa@montgomerycountymd.gov</a>.

APPROVED:

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Date: 12/02/13